

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme- AP- Implementation of the scheme through SHGs of SC/STs and ensuring entitlements to the poorest labourers working in NREGS- - Orders - Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RD-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 339

Dated 7.11.2009

Read the following:

1. No.11060/3/2009 NREGA Ministry of Rural Development, Govt of India
Dated 1st Sept 2009
2. Minutes of Hon'ble CM meeting on NREG held on 27th Oct 2009

ORDER

In the reference 1 cited above, Govt of India issued guidelines, in accordance with the amendment to the Para 1 (iv) Schedule I of the NREG Act, directing therein that "works on the land of SCs and STs will be taken on priority. Once lands of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes are saturated in a Gram Panchayat, works on lands of small and marginal farmers can be taken up". Hon'ble CM in his review of the NREG programme held on 27th October 2009 directed that steps should be taken to provide at least 100 days employment for at least 100 SC/ST households during the current year in order to ensure that the vulnerable sections benefit from the programme. It is proposed to achieve implementation of the above directives through convergence between SHGs and NREG and use SHGs as vehicles in implementation of the Scheme.

2. In view of the above, Government after careful examination of all issues and to ensure that fruits of NREG reach all the vulnerable groups such as SCs/STs, hereby direct that poorest of poor SHGs consisting largely of SCs and STs shall be constituted as fixed labour groups for undertaking NREGS works as per the following guidelines:

A. Identification of SHGs

- i) In each village, all the SHG groups consisting of SC/ST members, dependant on agricultural wages and desirous of taking up employment as per the scheme, shall be identified by the Indira Kranti Padham (IKP) functionaries.
- ii) All the identified groups shall be explained the benefits due to integration of the SHG with NREG; and organised into **Fixed Labour Groups** by adding all the potential laborers from among the SHG households, following norms of NREG in such a way that the size of the group shall not be more than 20.
- iii) Once the group is formed, MPDOs/ APOs at the mandal level shall register them on the computer as fixed labour groups. The membership of these groups shall be fixed and not liable for additions or deletions.
- iv) Each group shall identify its 'Mate' from among its members who help in monitoring the work turn out and implementation of the scheme.

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B. Identification of the works:

- i) Works will be identified by SHGs with a clear focus on improving the lands which are owned by SHG members. For this purpose, soon after the groups have been identified, IKP functionaries will help these SHGs identify all the lands currently under their ownership along with the status of cultivation in these lands and requirements of land development for enhancing productivity of these lands. In case there are no lands for development, the groups shall identify such works which may help them to enhance their livelihoods.
- ii) The other works like horticulture, irrigation open wells in the category IV shall also be identified.
- iii) If a block of SC/ST lands are identified, the complete block shall be treated fully like a mini micro watershed with DLTP (Drainage line treatment project) besides land development component. However, if they are not falling in a block, they shall still be taken up for development as individual plots.
- iv) The works identified shall be adequate for providing 100 days employment to every SHG household in the identified group.
- v) The works so identified shall be got approved in a specially convened Gram Sabha as per the statutory allocations under the SC Component (SCP) and Tribal Sub-plan (TSP).
- vi) The works identified by the SHGs in the above manner shall be conveyed to the APO at mandal level by the IKP functionaries.
- vii) APO shall get plans and estimates formulated for these works through the technical assistants and computerize them.
- viii) Necessary approvals shall be accorded for these works even if the shelf of the works is sufficient in a given village. In the case, no works were identified by these groups, works available in the shelf shall be allocated to them on priority.

C. Allotment of works to the Groups

- i) Once the works identified by the labour groups are approved and brought to the shelf, work allotment order giving list of all the works should be given for each group by the APO – EGS.
- ii) Copies of the Work allotment letter should be given to each member of the group so that they know what work shall be completed by them.

D. Implementation of the scheme

- i) In accordance with the directions issued in Ref 1 cited above, lands of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes should be saturated in a Gram Panchayat, and thereafter works on lands of other small and marginal farmers can be taken up.
- ii) Each group will have an exclusive muster roll as per the regular procedure. In the same way each group will have group mark-out and weekly measurements for the work done quantities.
- iii) Wages for the members of SHG shall be paid through individual post office accounts as is being done for others.

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E. Trainings and Capacity Building

- i) The PD DRDA and PD DWMA shall work in close coordination in implementation of these orders.
- ii) The PD DRDA shall take responsibility for conducting necessary trainings to all the IKP functionaries and SHG representatives.
- iii) PD DWMA shall take responsibility of conducting trainings to Mates, FA/Rojghar Sevaks, TAs, APOs.

F. Modifications in Software and Muster Roll

- i) The EGS software of MCCs shall be modified accordingly for implementation of the scheme through SHGs of SC/STs
- ii) Muster roll format may also be changed if necessary to suit the requirements.

G. Monitoring

- i) The Commissioner Rural development and CEO, SERP shall monitor the implementation of these directions every fortnightly till the system is totally stabilised. They are also requested to ensure coordination between PDs, DRDA and PDs, DWMA in implementing the programme in a smooth manner.
- ii) Appropriate monitoring formats will have to be worked out by the Director EGS in the web site.

A copy of this order is available on the Internet and can be accessed at the address: <http://www.rd.ap.gov.in>.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (RD)

To

The District Collectors and District Programme Coordinators of all 22 Districts
The Project Directors, DWMA and Addl. District Programme Coordinators of all Districts
Project Directors, DRDAs and Addl. District Programme Coordinators of of all Districts
The Chief Executive Officers, Zilla Parishad and Addl. District Programme Coordinators of all Districts
The Project Officers of ITDAs and Additional District Programme Coordinators of Eturu Nagaram, Bhadrachalam, Utnoor, Parvathipuram, Seethampet and Rampachodavaram.

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